

Strange and VVonderful

# NEWS

FROM

## CONSTANTINOPLE

Relating to the Present

### Grand Seignior.

**T**HIS Mother Sultanness having been long Sick, & drawing near to her Death, caused several of the ~~Emperors~~, with the chief of the Turkish Nobility to be called before her, to whom she declared, that it had for some Years past layn hard upon her, and much troubled her Conscience, what she was then about to tell them.

That when she was first brought to Bed, it was with a Daughter, and ~~that~~ her Husband, the late Sultan, for some reasons of State, had enjoyned her to Secrecy, who caused to be brought in her Daughters room, a Male Child of one of his Concubines, who is now the present Emperor, who was all along Educated as her Son.

Therafterwards she was brought to Bed of two Sons, of which ~~Osman~~ was Eldest, and right Heir to that Empire: Enjoying them as she was a Dying Woman, and charged them upon their *Allegiance*, that they would endeavor to set the Crown upon his Head. That she had left him ~~at~~ *in* the *United Kingdoms* to maintain his Right, and she hoped that he had Courage and Conduct enough for to manage the same. And having taken her leave of them all, earnestly pressing them to put in action what she had told them, she turning to the Wall, Immediately Dyed.

In Order to the obtaining of the said Of-  
mond hath sent Ambassadors to the Courts of Persia,  
Moscovia, &c. Solliciting them to enter into a War a-  
gainst the present Emperour, lying before them, that it  
doth not belong to him to Govern the Ottoman Em-  
pire, it being his Right as Eldest Son to the late  
deceased Grand Seignieur.

And in order thereunto, he had in the mean time gi-  
ven Orders for the gathering together Forces, and for the  
Building divers Ships and Gallies according to the fashion of  
the Christian Princes: Judging that Form to be the most a-  
vantagious to answer his designs; and that several of his  
Subjects had already revolted from the present Emperour,  
and United themselves with design to perform their Al-  
legiance to him.

**T**HE Mother Sultaness having been long sick  
& drawing near to her Death, caused several of the  
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led before her, to whom she declared, that it had for  
some Years past layr hard upon her, and much troubled  
her Conscience, what she was then about to tell them.  
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with a Daughter, and had her Husband, the late Sultan,  
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who caused to be brought in her Daughters room, a  
male Child of one of his Concubines, who is now the  
present Emperour, who was all along Educated as her

son.  
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of which Osmen was Eldest, and right Heir to that  
Empire: Enjoyning them as she was a Dying Woman,  
and charged them upon their Allegiance, that they would  
 endeavor to see the Crown upon his Head. That she  
ad left him a Letter, by which he might see his Right,  
and she hoped that he had Courage and Conduct enough  
to manage the same. And having taken her leave of  
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